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ATTY.'S DOCKET: HARTAL=1B

In re Application of:) Art Unit: 1761
Dov HARTAL et al.)
Appln. No.: 09/449,093) Examiner: C. SHERRER
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For: NATURAL COLORING PRODUCTS) Confirmation No.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR RCE

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please further amend the above -identified application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Add new claim 44 as follows:

--44. (New) A red coloring material comprising
the color-imparting agent,

chromoplast particles encapsulating crystalline
lycopene,

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wherein said chromoplast particles are particles
separated from a fruit which contained them, and

wherein the coloring material comprises from 500 to
3000 ppm of said chromoplast particles encapsulating crystalline
lycopene,
by wt, %?

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